AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method to be executed at least in part in a computing device for of displaying a static information tip comprising the steps of:

providing a plurality of data fields, wherein the plurality of data fields comprises a first data field and a second data field;

receiving an indication of focusing on the first data field, wherein the indication includes placement of a cursor on the first data field;

in response to focusing on the first data field, displaying a first static information tip proximate to the first data field, wherein the first static information tip does not interrupt data input into the first data field;

receiving an indication of focusing on the second data field, wherein the indication includes placement of a cursor on the second data field;

hiding from view the first static information tip;

in response to focusing on the second data field, displaying a second static information tip proximate to the second data field, wherein the first information tip remains displayed until the indication of focusing on the second data field is received;

whereby the first static information tip does not interrupt data input into the first data field and whereby the first information tip remains displayed until the step of focusing on the second data field;

entering receiving data in the first data field;

determining that whether the data entered in the first data field is erroneous;

if the data received in the first data field is erroneous, refocusing on the first data field; and

in response to refocusing on the first data field, displaying a third static information tip proximate to the first data field that is different from the first static

<u>information tip</u>, <u>whereby</u> <u>wherein</u> the third static information tip does not interrupt corrective data input into the first data field.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

entering receiving data in the second data field;

determining that whether the data entered in the second data field is erroneous;

if the data received in the second data field is erroneous, focusing on the second data field; and

displaying a fourth static information tip proximate to the second data field that is different from the second static information tip, whereby wherein the fourth static information tip does not interrupt corrective data input into the second data field.

- 4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
 displaying an error marker proximate to the first data field to indicate the data entered received in the first data field is erroneous.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 3, further comprising the step of: displaying an error marker proximate to the first and second data fields to indicate the data entered received in the first and the second data fields is erroneous.
- 6. (Currently Amended) A method to be executed at least in part in a computing device for of displaying a static information tip and an error marker comprising the steps of:

receiving an indication of focusing on a first data field, wherein the indication includes placement of a cursor on the first data field;

in response to focusing on the first data field, displaying a first static information tip proximate to the first data field, wherein the first static information tip is displayed such that it does not interrupt data input into the first data field;

entering receiving data in the first data field while continuing to display the first static information tip;

automatically focusing on a second data field;

hiding from view the first static information tip;

determining whether the data entered received into the first data field is erroneous;

if the data received in the first data field is erroneous, placing an error marker adjacent to the first data field;

automatically refocusing on the first data field; and

in response to refocusing on the first data field, displaying a second static information tip proximate to the first data field, the second static information tip containing information for correcting the data entered received into the first data field.

7. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having stored thereon computer-executable instructions which when executed by a computer perform the steps of:

providing a plurality of data fields, wherein the plurality of data fields comprises a first data field and a second data field;

receiving an indication of focusing on the first data field, wherein the indication includes placement of a cursor on the first data field;

in response to focusing on the first data field, displaying a first static information tip proximate to the first data field, wherein the first static information tip does not interrupt data input into the first data field;

automatically focusing on the second data field;

hiding from view the first static information tip;

in response to focusing on the second data field, displaying a second static information tip proximate to the second data field, wherein the second static information tip does not interrupt data input into the second data field, and wherein the first information tip remains displayed until focusing on the second data field;

whereby the first static information tip does not interrupt data input into

the first data field and whereby the first information tip remains displayed until the step of focusing on the second data field

entering receiving data in the first data field;

determining that whether the data entered in the first data field is erroneous;

if the data received in the first data field is erroneous, automatically refocusing on the first data field; and

in response to refocusing on the first data field, displaying a third static information tip proximate to the first data field that is different from the first static information tip, whereby wherein the third static information tip does not interrupt corrective data input into the first data field.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) The medium of claim 7, further comprising the steps of:

in response to receiving entering data in the second data field; determining that whether the data entered in the second data field is erroneous;

if the data received in the second data field is erroneous, focusing on the second data field; and

displaying a fourth static information tip proximate to the second data field that is different from the second static information tip, whereby wherein the fourth static information tip does not interrupt corrective data input into the second data field.

- 10. (Currently Amended) The medium of claim 7, further comprising the step of:
 displaying an error marker proximate to the first data field to indicate the data entered in the first data field is erroneous.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The medium of claim 9, further comprising the step of:
 displaying an error marker proximate to the first and second data fields to
 indicate the data entered received in the first and second data fields is erroneous.

12. (Currently Amended) A system for displaying a static information tip and an error marker comprising a computer program module operative

to <u>receive a user indication of focusing</u> on a first data field, <u>wherein the</u> <u>indication includes placement of a cursor on the first data field;</u>

to display a first static information tip proximate to the first data field in response to focusing on the first data field;

to receive data in the first data field while continuing to display the first static information tip;

to determine <u>whether</u> the data entered into the first data field is erroneous; to place an error marker adjacent to the first data field, if the data entered into the first data field is erroneous;

to refocus on the first data field; and

to display a second static information tip proximate to the first data field in response to refocusing on the first data field, the second static information tip containing information for correcting the data entered into the first data field.

13. - 15. (Cancelled)

- 16. (New) The method of claim 4, further comprising removing the third static information tip and the error marker in response to receiving correct data in the first data field.
- 17. (New) The method of claim 3, further comprising determining whether the data received in the first data field and in the second data field are erroneous simultaneously.